(b) Targets set for SCs under different poverty alleviaiton programmes alongwith achievements during the last three years are as under:—

	Programme	Target for SC to be covered under the programme	Achievements (% age of SCs to total beneficiaries) 1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
c I.	Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP)	50%	33.70	33.81	33.1
2 ,	Training of Rural Youth for Self Employment (TRYSEM)	40%	41.88*	37.38	Breakup of SC not Available
3 ·	Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas (DWCRA)	50%	NA	3.21	8.23
4 ·	Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY)	22.5%	37.84	35.41	35.86
5 ·	Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS)	$	32.78	32.16	34.99
6	Indira Awaas Yojana (LAY)	60%	51.82	54.91	49.05
7 ·	Million Wells Scheme	60%	40.39	34.88	37.32

Note: Separate targets for SCs are not fixed. It include ST also.

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$ EAS is open for all willing to work as manual labourer and are above 18 years of age as such no targets are fixed exclusively for SC.

(c) In order to make the implementation of poverty alleviation programmes more effective, a comprehensive system of monitoring has been developed with the help of monitoring mechanism such as Concurrent Evaluation, Periodical reports/returns, Area Officers Scheme, State and Distict level Vigilance Committee, Conference of State Secretaries for rural Development and Project Directors, Review by various Committees, etc.

National Old Age Pension Scheme in Maharashtra

1500. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Persons benefited under the National Old Age Pension Scheme in Maharashtra* district-wise;

(b) whether survey under this scheme is conducted periodically; if so, when it was done last; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) The district-wise information on the number of persons benefited under National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) in Maharastra during 1998-99 is given below:-

Sl.No.	District	No. of reported beneficiries
1.	Aurangabad	8699
2.	Ahmednagar	11656
3.	Akola	10997
4.	Amaravati	9909
5.	Beed	14280
6.	Bhandara	6942
7.	Bombay	1045
8.	Bombay Suburbs	1473
9.	Buldana	8207
10	Chandrapur	4373
11.	Dhule	9290
12.	Gadchiroli	2182
13.	Jalgaon	5939
14.	Jalna	5786
15.	Kolhapur	9716
16.	Latur	19226
17.	Nagpur	19349
18.	Nandet	25334
19.	Nasik	8084
20	Osmanabad	4482

	Sl.No.	District		No. of reported beneficiries
1	21.	Parbhani		24133
	22.	Pune	*	5340
	23.	Raigad		20273
	24.	Ratnagiri		3773
	25.	Sangli		3258
	26.	Satara		4952
	27.	Sindhudurg		3268
	28.	Sholapur		10328
	29.	Thane		18662
	30	Wardha		13036
	31.	Yavatmal		10704
			TOTAL	304696

(b) and (c) No. Sir. Periodic survey on the National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) is not conducted. There is no provision for conducting such surveys in the NSAP Guidelines.

Irrigation wells in Himachal Pradesh

1501. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of open irrigation wells provided to small and marginal farmers in Himachal Pradesh during the last two years, district-wise; and

(b) what is the number of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and freed bonded labourers benefited under this scheme in the State during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDARLAL PATWA): (a) till 31.3.1999, open irrigation wells were provided to persons below poverty line either free of cost under the Million Wells Scheme (MWS) or a source of irrigation including open irrigation well through a mix of credit and subsidy under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP). The district-wise details of such wells provided under MWS in Himachal Pradesh